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BETRAYING HIS FRIENDS.

Irish admirers of the president have something to think of when they read the official dictated interview of President Wilson wherein he admits that if England required the service under rules of the league of nations the United States would have to furnish troops to pacify Ireland. No doubt this will be a shock to many Milesians who have always contended that Mr. Wilson was their unalterably ally and that he would do everything in his power to bring about the freedom of the green isle. The reason for assuming this result is the bond of the president made about self determination of the nations and all that sort of stuff which was intended to bring about the same. In fact of the present case where the league is asked to confirm the treaty and the editorial page was glowing and cross examination is beginning to bring every day heretofore and have been suppressed as too offensive for the average American reader. The Irish cause is one of the suppressed portions of the agreement. The acquiescence of the president in this infamous betrayal of his constituents is only on a par with his treachery toward the Irish-American delegation which went to Europe for closer investigation of the Sinn Féin movement. This delegation was jolted along until it came to asking for admission to the council chamber at Versailles when the gentlemen were informed by Mr. Wilson that they had violated the rights of hospitality in stirring up animosity in Ireland and therefore they could not be given the floor of the council where every half barbarian nation on the face of the globe had been granted a hearing. The Irish-American admirers of President Wilson quickly found they were appraised at a lower rating intellectually than the Afghan, the Hindostani, the Egyptian, the Czech-Slovakia and the unorganized tribes of Asia Minor. The Irish delegation was told to go away back and sit down for a fresh rumination on the turn of events. After turning the subject over in their minds the delegates were given their passports back to the United States with the ultimatum that "No Irish need apply." That was the end of it, but the latest disclosure is akin to that of Judas in kissing his Master before he betrayed him to the Jews. Mr. Wilson has been extremely voluble in protesting his love for the Irish people and has gone to the extent of trying to convince some of his misguided admirers of that nationality that he had a few drops of Irish blood in his veins.

It is inexcusable on the score of ignorance to pretend that any one who would be party to such a treaty did not know the full purport of the clause binding the United States to send troops to help other friendly powers regulate their domestic affairs. The Irish element in the United States comprises one-third of the total population which furnished 40 per cent of the fighting strength of the expeditionary force to Europe and close to 60 per cent of the first punitive expedition into Old Mexico under direction of General Pershing. The president cannot with any degree of innocence claim not to be familiar with those facts and the reluctant admission squeezed out by the citizens of San Francisco emphasizes that the chief executive was governing up what he was afraid to disclose.

The best way of looking at the subject is through the horoscope of 1920 where the Irish vote and the vote of the sons and grandsons and great grandchildren of Gaelic antecedents will register their demand for the retirement of the man whom they put in power.

WORKERS LOSE CONFIDENCE.

The action of the steel workers in declining to postpone the date of their strike to enable the president to take a hand in the adjustment is equivalent to a statement that the workers have no faith in the administration and is more hopeful of working out their own salvation by the direct process. The wobbly spirit of the president is growing to be better understood each day and it is obvious that the labor element is not lacking in prompt perception of that waning power. The fickleness of Wilson was indicated very strongly during the recent riots in Boston arising from the police strike. As that time the president wired a special message reproaching the strike and condemning the strikers in unmeasured terms. Two days later the police in Washington were chafing at the restraint put upon their action and begun protesting against the stern discipline enforced by a recent mandate of congress. The members of this department reached the point of open rebellion at the instigation of the president himself who sent one of his soothing messages to the chairman of the District of Columbia committee urging that the policemen be treated with the utmost consideration and that they should be accorded the right to organize. Here are analogous cases where the treatment is diametrically opposed. In Boston the revolting police were to be treated as rioters while at the national capital the bluecoats were to be given the utmost consideration. So it was with the railroad shopmen and the brotherhoods governing other branches of transportation. The president blew hot and cold at the same time until his theories became too whimsical to lead to any analysis for an understanding of his actual position. The steel workers prefer to make their own demands and press them according to their own concepts of the justice of the situation. They have no faith in the president gaining anything although they are asking only for recognition.

THE LIGHT OF DAWN.

The turning point in the struggle with the high cost of living has been reached. That struggle has affected practically everyone on earth. A few, in Europe, have starved; many have suffered and Americans have reached a stage of exasperation which is, in itself, a hardship.

The return to normal conditions—or conditions which hereafter will be normal—cannot be rapid. Almost imperceptibly, the consumer will begin to benefit materially by reductions in prices. No one can say how long the remaining period of adjustment will be.

Public opinion has blocked the rise of prices, which was started by the natural consequences of war and promoted by unscrupulous

speculation and profit-grabbing.

The market has responded to the wide-spread activity against extortionate costs. Investigation is no longer started legislation is merely hinted at, when results begin to appear.

Much remains to be done. To get at the cause of unrest, the Kelly-Poindexter resolution should be immediately adopted and labor and capital brought together for an airing of intentions under the critical observation of the people.

Eminent economists urge the granting of a wheat subsidy to bring down the cost of bread as an immediate measure of permanent, common-sense improvements in our economic relief.

If the distress and disturbance now prevalent bring about a new industrial system the United States will emerge ahead of the game.

We are paying our tuition; let us profit by the severe lessons of experience.

BOY KILLS SELF
OWING TO LOVE

Because his parents threatened to annul his marriage in Ohio three weeks ago with Miss Margaret George, Ernest Nissen, aged 17 years, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Nissen, drank a quantity of cyanide with fatal results.

According to Coroner John T. Skelton, the boy was an employee at the navy yard at Mare Island and about three weeks ago was discharged owing to physical disability.

On September 16, he married Miss George at Chico without the knowledge of his parents, intending to keep the union secret. The affair was later discovered, however, by the mother of the youth and she told him she believed him too young to get married and she intended to see the girl's parents in the matter of an annulment. At that time Nissen told his mother if she did this he would commit suicide as he loved the girl too much to consent to a parting.

The father of Miss George arrived here and went to the Nissen home where a stormy interview between her and young Nissen took place. Shortly after this Nissen slipped quietly into another room and secured the deadly mixture, which he had already prepared in a small

bottle, he drank it.

His sister-in-law, Pansy Nissen, saw the act and made a desperate attempt to knock the poison from his hand but the boy jumped out of her reach and swallowed the liquid.

A note to his mother was found after his death in which he asked that he be forgiven. It is as follows:

"Mamma—I have taken poison. I want you to know that I am innocent of what I am accused. As for Margaret, all I can say is that I love her."

There was no name or date on the letter but it was marked, "To be opened in case of my death." The handwriting was identified as that of the youth.

The mother of the boy told Coroner Skelton her son has been somewhat mentally unbalanced from the effects of a serum given him at the Mare Island navy yard and she believes he committed suicide in a fit of insanity.

OLDEST RESIDENT DIES
IN COLORADO; AGED 102

BOULDER, Colo., Sept. 18.—William Earl Van Etten, 102 years old, believed to be the oldest man in Colorado, died at the county hospital here from infirmities due to advanced years. Van Etten has celebrated his birthday on the county farm for years, always requesting his friends to bring cheese. He was a native of Montgomery county, New York, and is survived by a son, seventy-nine years old, a resident of Pueblo.

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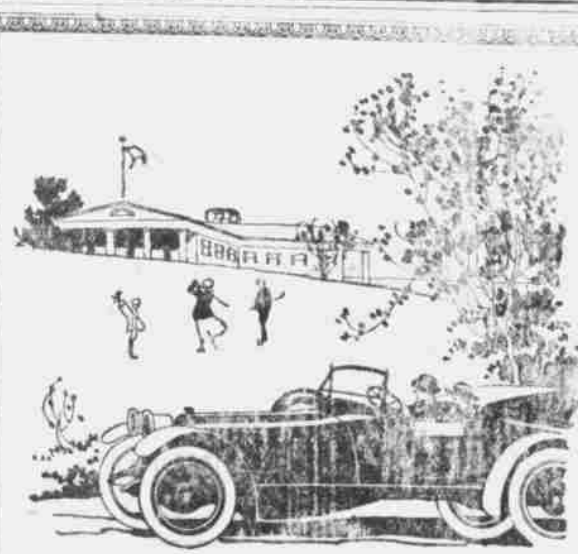
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Mrs. Cooper is the second link in a chain of four generations of hardy pioneer stock that has carried and maintained the light of civilization against the mountain wide since the days when the eyes of the world were turned toward California.

There's a lesson for those who say the west has gone to the dogs, and the old romance of pioneer life is no more. In the picture of this family take Mrs. E. W. Brown of Paskenta, Tehama county, for example.

Mother of ten children, grandmother of fifty-two and great-grandmother of three, Mrs. Brown, a real type of the "pioneer mother" motif, now puns every summer and rides the cattle range with her husband as though she were a girl of 15 and not a woman of 65. With the rifle she has "bent shot" and her relations boast that she has brought down many deer.

Mrs. Cooper is a worthy daughter of Mrs. Brown, for she is the mother of eleven children and grandmother of three, yet she can pick off a buck from the saddle with an aim deadly as her mother's.

Representative of the third generation and true to family traditions, Mrs. H. A. Durham of Paskenta, aged 25, rides daily beside her husband, a forest ranger. When a forest fire

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